Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Jammu and Kashmir, Rajasthan, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Pudducherry covering a population of nearly thirty-one lakh. Under the project, identity (smart) cards are being issued to the citizens of age 18 years and above in the pilot areas. The production and distribution of identity cards has been undertaken through a Consortium of Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) set up specially in the premises of Office of the Registrar General, India, at four centres, one each at Kolkata, Mumbai, Chennai and Delhi. As on 29.02.2008, total of 11.50 lakh cards have been personalized and out of these 10 lakh cards have been delivered in various pilots areas.

Cases of communal and regional violence

694. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of communal and regional violence since last three years, State-wise;

(b) the number of persons died/injured in such violence, State-wise;

(c) the details of public and private property damaged/ruined during these violence;

(d) whether any compensation has been paid to the victims;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps Government proposes to stop recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (e) "Public Order" and "Police" being State subjects as per the Constitution of India, the State Governments are primarily responsible for maintenance of law and order and maintenance of details of property damaged as well as compensation paid to victims.

However, as per available information, the details of communal incidents and the persons killed and injured therein in the country during the last three years are given in Statement (*See* below).

(f) To prevent communal incidents in the country the Union Government assists the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in a variety of ways like sharing of intelligence, sending alert messages, sending Central para-military forces including the composite Rapid Action Force created specially to deal with communal situations to the concerned State Governments on specific request, and in the modernization of the State Police Forces. In addition, the Union Government sends advisories and guidelines in this regard from time to time. The activities of all organizations having a bearing on communal harmony in the country are under constant watch of law enforcement agencies and requisite legal action is taken, wherever necessary.

The Union Government has also introduced a Bill titled 'The Communal violence (Prevention, Control and Rehabilitation of victims) Bill, 2005' in Rajya Sabha to address various aspects of the issue of communal violence.

Statement

State-wise number of communal incidents, persons killed and injured therein during the last three years, (i.e. 2005 to 2007)

Name of the State	2005			2006			2007		
	Incidents	Per-sons killed	Persons Injured	Incidents	Per-sons killed	Persons injured	Incidents	Per-sons Killed	Persons injured
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A & N Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andhra Pradesh	10	3	14	24	0	149	13	1	33
Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assam	9	1	11	7	2	17	7	0	29
Bihar	35	10	107	40	11	112	26	4	139
Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chhattisgarh	7	0	1	6	1	2	7	0	2
Delhi	6	0	20	7	1	22	6	0	24
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daman & Diu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Goa	2	0	0	2	1	9	1	0	1
Gujarat	62	6	119	35	11	145	57	8	126
Haryana	2	2	7	2	1	11	2	0	1
Himachal Pradesh	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0
J & K	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4
Jharkhand	19	2	55	20	11	87	18	2	60

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Karnataka	48	1	180	49	10	254	64	4	207
Kerala	33	3	67	13	2	23	10	0	29
Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madhya Pradesh	112	16	276	137	23	334	180	22	459
Maharashtra	167	10	303	156	10	372	140	9	435
Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orissa	22	4	44	9	1	19	15	3	61
Pondicherry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Punjab	2	0	9	2	0	0	5	0	4
Rajasthan	72	11	192	44	3	121	30	1	89
Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tamil Nadu	29	4	83	14	3	17	18	7	45
Tripura	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uttaranchal	2	0	5	4	0	12	2	0	9
Uttar Pradesh	121	47	470	113	42	371	138	37	397
West Bengal	18	4	102	14	0	93	18	1	73
TOTAL	779	124	2066	698	133	2170	761	99	2227